

## **GENERAL EXCEPTION NOTICE**

### **STEVENAGE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

#### **The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 (the “2012 Regulations”)**

This is a formal notice pursuant to Regulation 10 (3) of the 2012 Regulations setting out the reasons why compliance with Regulation 9 is impractical with regard to reaching decision(s) on the purchase of sites to facilitate the SG1 Development.

#### Reasons

The decision was not included on the Forward Plan as confirmation was not received until very recently that decisions on this matter would be required at this juncture. The matter is urgent and cannot wait until the following meeting of the Executive because the external project funding is time limited and must be spent without delay to ensure that funding is not withdrawn.

Accordingly, there was insufficient time to have included this decision in the most recently published version of the Forward Plan and wait the 28 days as required by Regulation 9 before making the decision.

A Key Decision on the above matter will be made by the Strategic Director on Wednesday, 31 July 2019.

The Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee has been informed of the above reasons for invoking the General Exception procedure.

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BOROUGH SOLICITOR  
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